Summary of Studies

# Tijuana River Watershed Area Adjacent to US/Mexico Border

Joint Tijuana River Valley Recovery Team/Border 2020 Task Force Meeting

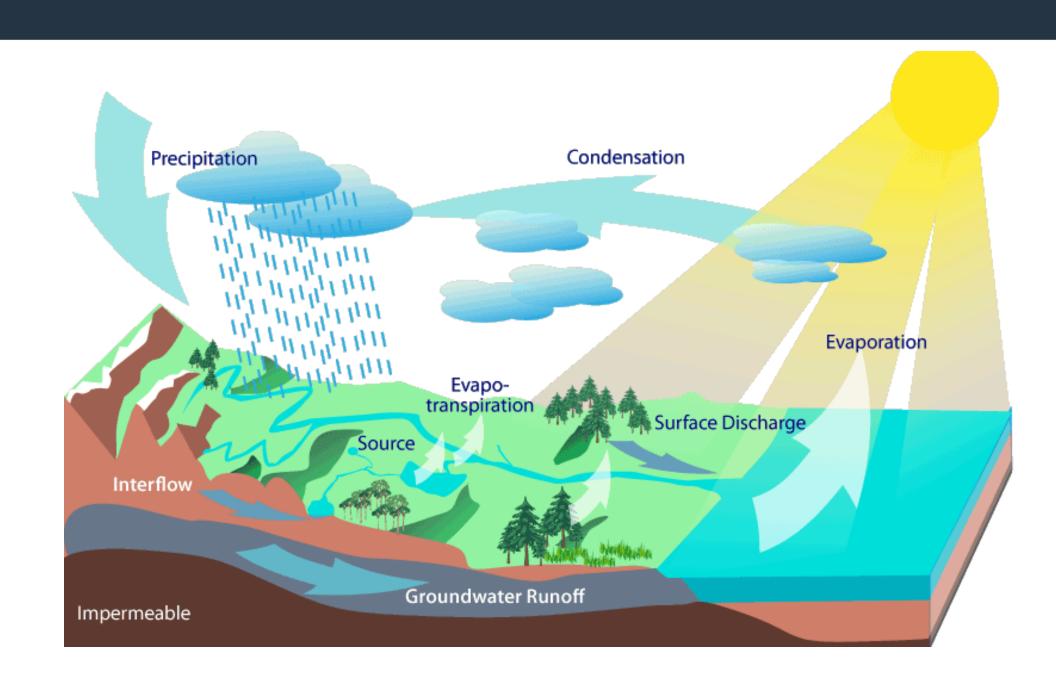
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#### **Outline**

- Purpose
- Coordination
- FY 2016 Phase I Scope of Work
- FY 2017 Phase II Scope of Work
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#### **Purpose**

- Model existing hydrology and hydraulics of the lower Tijuana River watershed area adjacent to US/Mex border
- Understand current flows to assist in future planning to reduce flood risk in the US/Mex border area
- May be used for future modeling, feasibility studies, and planning efforts to address sediment and trash
- Studies will follow the IBWC's Binational Core Group process, and US Army Corps guidance and criteria



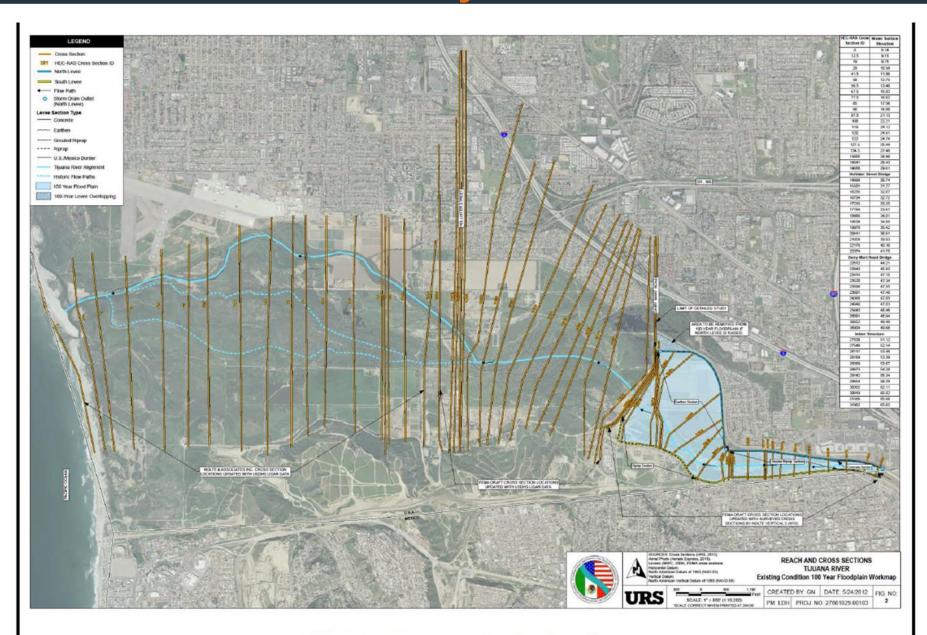
#### **Coordination**

- US Army Corps to complete studies
- City of San Diego to provide match funds
- IBWC to assist with coordination/communication with Mexico
- Stakeholders (US and Mexico side) to provide input
  - Minute 320 Binational Sediment Working Group
  - Minute 320 Binational Core Group
  - Tijuana River Valley Recovery Team?
  - Tijuana River WMA Water Quality Improvement Plan responsible parties (County, City of SD, City of IB)?

#### FY 2016 Phase I Scope of Work

- Better understanding of storm water flows and topography in Tijuana River Valley (US side)
  - Discharge-frequency calculations
  - Floodplain delineations
  - Sediment transport analysis
- Baseline for future studies, modeling, and planning efforts
- Draft will be shared for input once it's completed

## FY 2016 Phase I Study Area



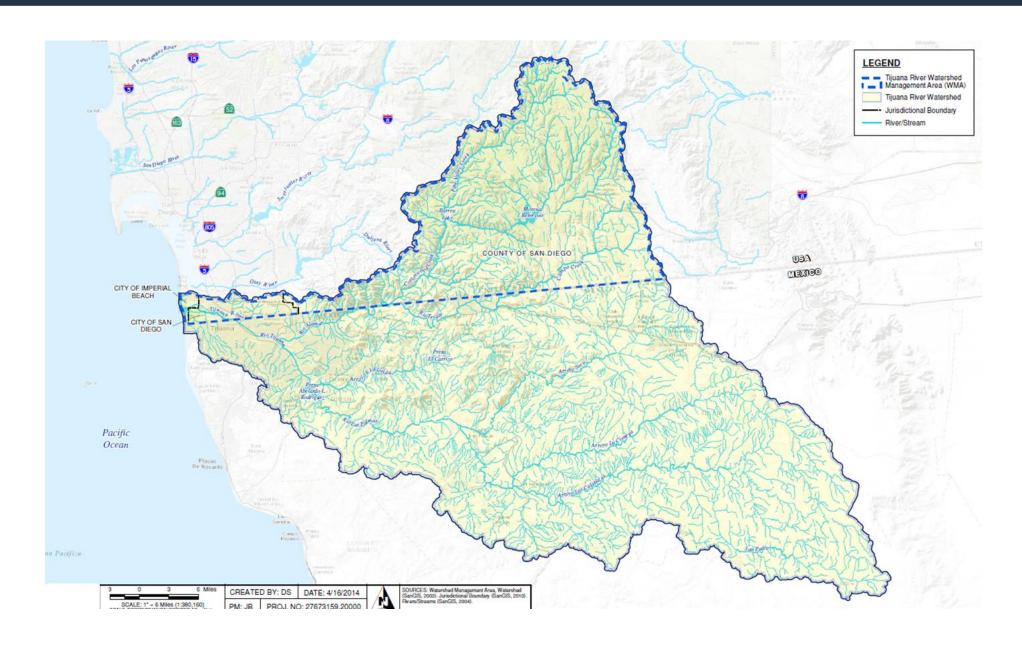
**HEC-RAS Model Cross Sections for Tijuana River** 

Source: Final Report, Hydraulic Floodplain Study of the Tijuana River, U.S. and Mexico Border, San Diego County, California, April 10, 2012, URS, Austin, TX

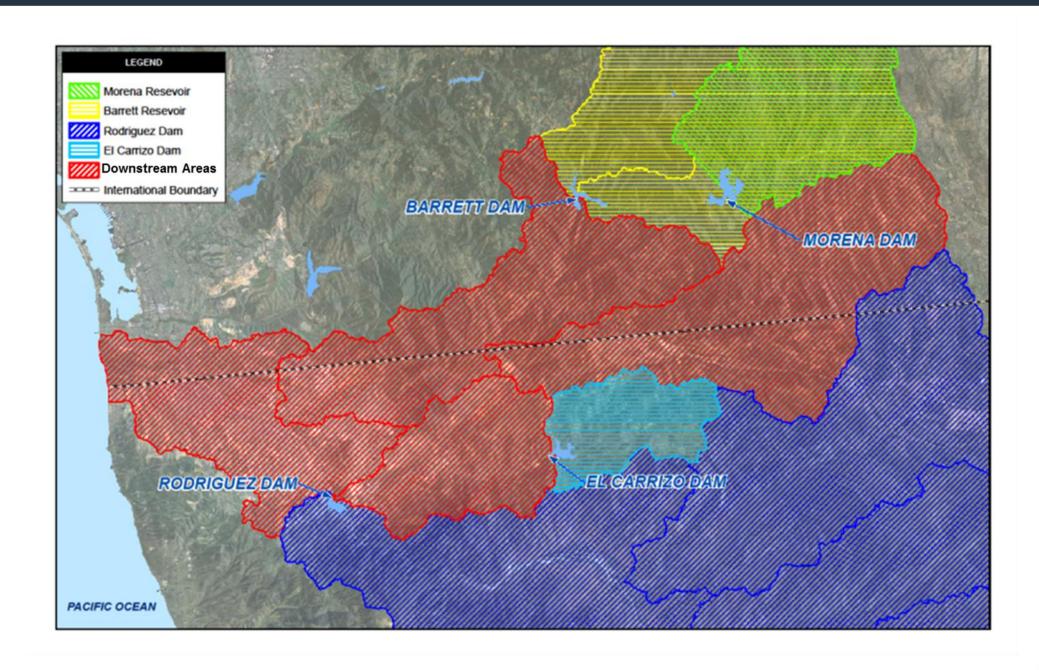
#### FY 2017 Phase II Scope of Work

- Currently drafting Scope of Work with stakeholder input
- Will expand into Mexico if there's interest and if data is available
- Looking for additional data to improve analysis
- Will build off Phase I Study and include
  - Data calibration
  - Infrastructure assessment
  - Comprehensive watershed hydrologic analysis
  - Sediment modeling

## Tijuana River Watershed



## **Downstream Areas**



### **Future Scopes of Work**

- Additional studies/modeling?
- Binational Sediment Management Plan?
- Identification of projects in US/Mexico?
- Other?

#### **Next Steps**

- Minute 320 Binational Sediment Workgroup (June 29, 2016)
- Minute 320- Binational Core Group (Aug/Sep 2016)
- Minute 320- Binational Commissioners' review and approval (Process TBD)
- Other?